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Attention: Federal Resources Office, Room 3500
For Jay Norvell, Chief – Division of Environmental Analysis

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: Caltrans Updated Traffic Noise Analysis Protocol - TNAP

This is in response to your letter, dated July 12, 2006, requesting approval of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) 2006 Traffic Noise Analysis Protocol - TNAP. We recognize that this latest version is an update of the October 1998 TNAP which at the time was the State's first formal noise policy that had received FHWA's approval. In coordination with our HQ's Environmental Noise section, we consider the TNAP approved and effective immediately.

We would like to recognize the amount of effort put in by your environmental noise staff in accomplishing this rewrite, particularly Jim Andrews, Ranny Eckstrom and Suzanne Theiss. We look forward to continue working with your staff and the Districts in implementing the TNAP in a timely manner.

If you have any questions, please contact Joseph Vaughn at (916) 498-5346 or by e-mail, at joseph.Vaughn@fhwa.dot.gov or Jeff Lewis, at (916) 498-5035, or by email, at jeff.lewis@fhwa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

For
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